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### PAYMENT OF DEFICIENCY AUTHORIZATION

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This Payment of Deficiency Authorization is being submitted concurrent with an Entity Status Change Request, which requests that the status as a small entity for the above-referenced U.S. patent be removed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c).

It is requested that the USPTO charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 14-0460, in the total amount of \$930 for the first maintenance fee payment. As shown in the chart below, this is the sum of the deficiency between the amount currently due for the first maintenance fee (04 payment year), which is \$465, as well as the deficiency between the amount due for the first maintenance fee (04 payment year) as a large entity, which is \$465, pursuant to the loss of entitlement to small entity status.

Due Date of Original Fce June 14, 2008

Type of Fee Paid 04 Payment Yr 1st Maint Fee

Current Fee Amount (as a large entity) \$930

\$465

Amt Originally Requested Deficiency (based on current fee amount) \$465

TOTAL PAYMENT \$930

The USPTO is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account for any under payment required in this matter. The signatory below is a proper signatory under 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b).

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This is a notification of loss of entitlement to small entity status for the above-referenced patent in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c). It is requested that the entity status of the above-referenced U.S. patent be changed to reflect such loss of entitlement for purposes of paying the <u>first</u> maintenance fee. This declaration is made because the above-referenced U.S. patent has been licensed to a large entity organization, and as such, no longer qualifies for small entity status, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2)(i).

The USPTO is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account for any under payment required in this matter. The signatory below is a proper signatory under 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b).

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Encl: As stated above